



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9516**
Norio KIMURA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003-0865
Serial No. 10/601,789 : Group Art Unit 3723
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3700**

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 27, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 44-46 and 49-53.

- ☐ A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
- ☒ The extension fee of \$570.00 for a third month's extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.

- ☒ The Appeal Fee of ☒ \$500.00 (other than Small Entity)
☐ \$250.00 (Small Entity)

☒ is enclosed

☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. The original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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- ☐ Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
- ☐ is enclosed.

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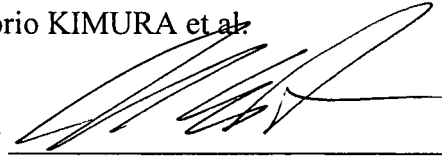
() has been previously submitted.

() The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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